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FOUND A HOLE IN THE CUT-OFF

Harriman and Party in Salt Lake.

Special Train Was Stopped for Hours by a Sink in the Lake.

Promoter Laughs at Idea of Abandoning the Short Cut—Talks Guardedly of Railroad Matters.

IDENT J. H. HARRIMAN and party arrived last night in his special train. After inspecting the cut-off, they came direct to Salt Lake, only waiting in Ogden enough to take on Dr. George W. Lins, division surgeon of the South-Pacific in Ogden. Dr. Perkins was at the depot in answer to a summons by telegraph from Julius Schmitt. He boarded the train and on to Salt Lake.

was 10:15 last evening when the came in, although it had been expected before 8 p. m., allowing for a stop over at Ogden. The delay caused by the wait that was ended pending repairs to the cut-off. Ogden the party was met by a gathering of Union Pacific officials and a second special was made up which followed about ten minutes Mr. Harriman's train.

Has Very Little to Say. Harriman always lives up to his reputation for courtesy, but like the in the song, "he ain't a-goin' to say a word." He is a mere spectator of the news given out by the small amount of news given out by Harriman and party.

How did you find the cut-off, Mr. Harriman? "I found a hole in it," was the answer. "There is no truth in the story that it is going to be abandoned. It is there, all right, considering we just over it. That sink is a mere accident, which has no significance, and soon be remedied. I can't say when the cut-off will be ready for through."

asked if he had anything to say to the railroad promotion. B. Barry, chief engineer of the Pacific, Mr. Harriman said: "I haven't taken the matter up yet. We are trying all we know to improve the cut-off, and to the public the best service possible. I think that's as much as we can do."

answer to a question concerning the strike in Ogden, he said that was the first he had heard of. "I don't know what it is, but it is not with me, he has."

Shop Work Will Be Done. Improvements and the construction of the shops will be carried out to the terms of the franchise, expect to push the matter ahead as circumstances will permit. I know why the recent consolidation interfere with this."

special train consists of eight observation cars, with two baggage cars. One of the cars belong to the Pacific, and is going out to the Grand Canyon. Over the to Grand Canyon. Mr. Harriman's party are James Sullivan, president of the National City bank of New York; William G. Rockefeller, son of John D. Rockefeller; Whitney Warburton, celebrated railroad architect; Mr. Robert W. Goetz of New York; N. Hill, who is vice-president of Great Northern and of other controlled by his father; W. V. V. director of purchases on the lines, and Caspar Furey, a representative of Baring Bros. bank of London.

second section that came on the Union Pacific. Judge William Kelly, general solicitor of the Pacific; J. B. Barry, chief engineer of the Union Pacific; W. T. McQuinn, superintendent of motive power and machinery; W. L. Whitney, superintendent of the central of the Union Pacific; and D. O. Clark, superintendent of the Union Pacific Coal company.

thus be seen that far more than were generally expected, the important changes that have been made will soon be made. One looked for is that of Dr. Perkins to be resident surgeon of the Utah division of all three, and that his district will extend to the South Pacific from Ogden to Green River, and the Salt Lake division of the Short Cut.

mean that his appointment as engineer over all the Harriman lines will be announced, seeing Mr. Harriman did not deny the fact that Mr. Schumacher's position will be increased over the Harriman lines. In that case, it is probable that J. A. Reeves, assistant general agent of the Short Line, will be promoted to the position of general agent in the local offices.

School Girls Save Cars From Burning

Carry Sand in Their Hats, Put Out
Flames and Prevent Destruction
of \$2000 Worth of Property.

SPECIAL TO THE TRIBUNE.
MERCER, Utah, April 26.—Miss Annie Sullivan and sixteen schoolgirls saved \$2000 worth of railroad property from burning yesterday.

The girls were on their way to the summit for a picnic when they discovered a fire on the tracks. Several others threatened with destruction, owing to the gale that was blowing.

Miss Sullivan detailed two of the girls to return and notify Station Agent I. M. Dean, while she marshaled the other seven and formed a fire brigade. Filling their picture hats with sand, the girls succeeded in smothering the flames before assistance arrived.

There were six cars, two of them loaded with merchandise, and it is estimated that the heroic efforts of the girls saved the railroad company \$2000. Agent Dean marched the girls down town and bought all the candy in the drug store for them.

FOUR THOUSAND MEN BURIED UNDER SEA

Japanese Transports Are Reported
Sunk by the Vladivostok
Squadron.

PARIS, April 27.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Matin says: "I learn from a sure source that the Vladivostok squadron yesterday sank four Japanese transports which were conveying 4000 men."

TATTOO THE EYES TO CHANGE THE COLOR

Operation in Ophthalmic Surgery
That Opens a New Field for
Enhancing Beauty.

BOSTON, April 26.—That the color of the human eye can be changed by the use of tattoo needles has been shown by an operation performed at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

A patient had suffered for some time with an affection which partly destroyed the color of one eye, but affected his sight only slightly. The eye contained a white streak, extending almost around the pupil.

An instrument consisting of five ordinary cambric needles placed side by side was used. The needle points being inserted into the sclerotic coating of the eye to a depth of not more than a sixty-fourth of an inch. Each insertion made five tiny holes. This was repeated several times.

A solution of India ink previously shaded to match the eyes as nearly as possible, was then rubbed in with the finger and worked into each of the holes made by the needle points. The patient felt no ill effects.

Bay State Democrats Meet in Convention

Delegates to National Gathering Are
Selected in the Fourteen Con-
gressional Districts.

BOSTON, Mass., April 26.—Democratic district conventions to elect delegates to the National convention at St. Louis were held in the fourteen Congressional districts in the State in the afternoon. The district delegates were either pledged or favorable to the nomination of Richard Olney for the Presidency.

Of these delegates twenty-one are claimed for Olney, six are conceded to Hearst, while one is undecided. The Olney forces were pledged to the Olney forces and pledged to him at the State convention.

Of the eleven conventions held outside of this city fifteen delegates either pledged to favor Olney were elected. Six delegates were pledged unconditionally to Hearst, while one delegate is undecided. With the four delegates-at-large and the twenty-one elected today, the Olney faction now has a majority, and will, it is understood, enforce the unit rule at the National convention. Against the unit rule the Hearst delegates will make a protest to the Democratic National committee.

The greatest surprise of the day was occasioned by the result of the ballot in the Twelfth district, Dedham, the home of George Fred Williams, leader of the Hearst faction in Massachusetts, is in this district, and Mr. Williams was a candidate for delegate on the Hearst ticket. He and the other Hearst delegates were defeated and delegates pledged to Richard Olney elected.

Delegates favorable to Hearst's candidacy were elected in the Third district, which is represented in Congress by John R. Thayer, one of the foremost opponents of Mr. Hearst's candidacy.

HAMMOND, Ind., April 26.—John Schurbon of Whiting three weeks ago elected his wife, body and soul, to Fred Siegel. The couple eloped. Schurbon repented and today caused the arrest of both.

MOSES THATCHER DEFENDS CHURCH

Former Apostle Dis- cusses Defeat.

He Also Refers to the Church
Opposition to His Can-
didacy.

Declines to Answer Questions in Re-
lation to Ceremony in the
Endowment House.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The Smoot investigation before the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections was opened today by Attorney Taylor for the prosecution calling upon Moses Thatcher to resume the stand. This was for the identification of a pamphlet issued by Calvin Reasoner, purporting to be an accurate account of the Thatcher episode. The document was put in the record and the witness was turned over to the defense for cross-examination.

Mr. Van Cott, interrogated Mr. Thatcher in regard to his views on church interference in politics. The witness said he had no fault to find with the political rule, but in answer to a question of Senator Dubois as to the result of a Mormon official running for a political office in opposition to the wishes of the church authorities, he said:

"It might result as in any case but a true American citizen has the right to retire from his church office, and I believe every man who loves his country would resign such office under these circumstances."

Mr. Thatcher defended the church and the political rule. He admitted, however, that his views had been modified in regard to church interference, but insisted that he knew of no instances where church consent had been given or refused a Mormon candidate for political office.

Mr. Thatcher stated that at the time he was removed from the apostolate he was in line for the presidency of the church. He said he was dropped from the roles in April, 1896, and formal action was taken by his quorum in November, 1896. Continuing, he said:

"I suppose I am the only man of my age in the Mormon church who has no priesthood."

"He was denied the right to enter the Temple?" asked the chairman.

"Yes, sir."

He said he was denied entrance to the Temple by the doorkeeper at the order of the first presidency, and had never made application since, and he added:

"And I am glad to say that I am a free American citizen."

"Since you were deposed as an apostle?" chairman Burrows asked.

"Yes, sir."

Talks of His Defeat. Mr. Thatcher discussed his defeat in politics, speaking frankly of the popularity of former United States Senator Rawlins, and also of the church opposition to his candidacy. All questions were answered with the exception of several by Chairman Burrows in relation to the ceremony which is performed in the Endowment house.

"I think I should be excused in regard to that," replied the witness.

"Because of the general sacredness of the ceremony?"

Has Taken Obligation. "Have you taken any obligation not to reveal it?"

"I think I have."

"What would be the effect if you should disclose the nature of the obligation or ceremony?"

"No effect, except upon my conscience."

Many Ministers Will Visit Zion

Four Hundred Pastors and Laymen
Will Spend Next Sunday in
Salt Lake City.

CHICAGO, April 26.—Nearly 400 pastors and laymen from Chicago and nearby cities and towns will leave tonight over different roads, to attend the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church at Los Angeles, beginning May 3rd. A special train over the Chicago & Northwestern railroad will carry a majority of the delegates. A day will be spent in and about Denver, which is the first scheduled stop of the special. Another day will be spent at Colorado Springs and then a direct run will be made for Salt Lake. Where the delegates and others in the party will rest over Sunday. The Rev. J. G. Evans, chairman of the committee, has been invited to speak at the Mormon Temple. His subject will be "Christian Citizenship."

HAIRLESS WONDER FOUND IN NEW YORK

Castile Farmer Possessor of Calf That
Is Destitute of Hirsute
Covering.

LEICESTER, N. Y., April 26.—John Lindsay, 24, who lives in the town of Castile, bids confidently for fame as the only farmer in western New York who owns a hairless calf. The curiosity was born five weeks ago on the farm of Lewis Tallman and is a normal bovine in every way, save that its whole body is as destitute of hirsute covering as a young rat. Only on the tip of its tail is there a slight tuft of hair. The show people are already after the freak and the rise of another "hairless wonder" is anticipated. The possibilities in the amusement world, unless delayed by the late spring, the hair should yet unfortunately take a notion to grow.

UNIQUE METHOD IN CHOOSING MATES

Farmers in the East Are Now Seek-
ing Wives by Proxy.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 26.—In order to take wives unto themselves, farmers are rapidly establishing a record in making use of the most unheard-of methods. Charles H. Gonnerson, superintendent of the Kenosha county poor farm, is said to have been commissioned by a well-to-do farmer of the county to find him a wife. He claims to be a widower with five children, and he prefers to have a widow preside over his farm household; but if he is unable to find a good, honest woman who has had some married experience, he is willing to take any single woman whom the superintendent may recommend. He is willing to leave it all to the functionary who presides over the unfortunate wards of the county.

Not long since an Indiana farmer let it get into the newspapers that he would be averse to taking a life partner. Within a week he was forced to advertise the fact that he had a fine selection, to stop the tremendous burden of the rural mail-carrier was daily hauling to his farm-house.

Forty-Three Miners Fall to Their Death

Precipitated Down a Shaft One Thou-
sand Feet by the Collapse
of a Cage.

JOHANNESBURG, April 26.—The collapse of a cage in the Robinson mine precipitated forty-three natives down a thousand feet to the bottom. All were killed. The bottom of the shaft is a quagmire of human remains.

LEGLESS MAN CLIMBS TO TOP OF TALL MONUMENT

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Climbed to the top of the Washington monument is the feat of a legless man from Pennsylvania.

His name is T. M. Ferry, and he is a Civil war veteran. He came home with both legs gone. He had not been in Washington since the close of the war, and immediately upon his arrival he went to the Washington monument.

Electrical elevators run to the summit every thirty minutes. Mr. Ferry did not wait for the elevator, but made the ascent on the stumps of his lost limbs, which have served him as feet since both legs were amputated. It took him nearly an hour to make the ascent. He came down in the elevator.

THREE THOUSAND PERSONS ARE MADE HOMELESS BY FIRE

LEMBERG, Austria, April 26.—About 200 houses of the town of Buczacz were destroyed by fire, which broke out at midnight April 25th-26th. Some 3000 of the inhabitants are homeless.

Race for the Pennant Starts Boise in a Class by Herself

WHY THE GAME WENT TO BABES

Part Played by a
Brown Dog.

He Was a Mascot for the In-
fants and a Hoodoo for
the Elders.

Critical Analysis Shows That the
Visitors Won Because the Home
Team Did Not Win.

BOISE, 6, Salt Lake, 2. Now what do you think of that? Opening baseball game of the Pacific National league season, too. Well, well, well—wouldn't it jar you if some one would dig one and the Salt Lake team should fall into it?

But don't feel gloom over it—the boys will do better next time. Give 'em a chance—but don't let it happen again. It is so discouraging to the fans.

Of course, it is all right to be courteous to the strangers within the gates, but even courtesy can be carried to d-d-distant—that is to say, too far.

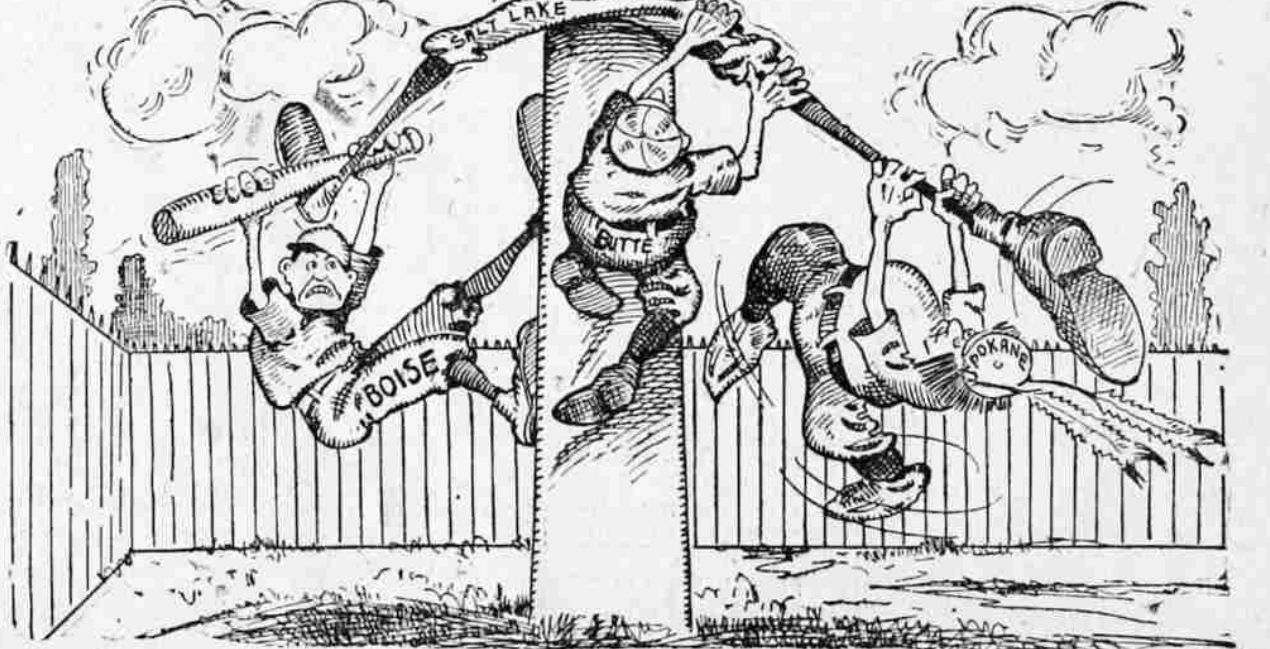
It isn't necessary to lay down and let strangers walk over you. Especially if they wear spikes in their shoes, and those Boise fellows do.

And such a nice day. The sun was shining as if it never rained in Salt Lake. The autos and the carriages were out, and spring millinery dotted the grand stand. There was not a dumb man or boy on the bleachers.

The Boise men looked jaunty in their milk-white suits and bright maroon coats and the Salt Lakers did, too, in their natty uniforms of blue—to match their feelings when they quit.

That Little Brown Dog. Upon his haunches, with his ears thrown back and his tail curling up behind, sat a little brown dog, near the Salt Lake bench. He might have been a mascot, but he wasn't. Merely an ordinary little brown dog.

Then the game opened. Before the first inning was over there were indications



that it had been opened too wide—like an alligator's mouth.

There were all kinds of things doing, and when it was all over, the gong clangled four times, and Boise had four runs.

Salt Lake had something that looked like a cross between a green watermelon and the cramp colic.

The fans said things in a sarcastic tone of voice, and the little brown dog looked sad. One man who couldn't restrain himself bought a bag of peanuts.

Then it kept getting no better right along. The Boise men played as if they were trained down to the minute. There was vim and vigor in the way they tackled the ball. Not a man went to sleep.

But Salt Lake! Alas! The men played, too, but it was in the also ran class. Their stick work was poor, and when it came to catching the ball there was a suspicion of butter fingers. They didn't have enough dress rehearsals before the play began.

Hausen Was Great. In the third inning Hausen caught a foul fly that was done to a turn, and when the Boise men stole the water can,



IDAHO INFANTS TAKE THE LEAD

Romp All Around the
Elders.

Throw Quick Into the Air
and Win Before He
Comes Down.

Two Thousand Fans Witness the
Opening Game of the Pacific Na-
tional League Season.

"HONEST John" McCloskey's infants proved that they are children of no mean ability when they defeated the Elders yesterday by a score of 6 to 2. There were some who claimed that "Mac" had the weakest bunch in the league, but the majority of fans who saw the game at Walker's yesterday afternoon were convinced that the Babies will cut an important figure in the pennant race.

The Saints lost yesterday's game, or, rather, Boise won it, in the first inning. The Babies fell upon Eddie Quick's shoats the first time up and before the Saints could end things, four of McCloskey's children had tottered home.

Houts started the ball rolling with a single to left field. "Buck" Weaver, our own dear old "Buck," came to the plate amid applause from the stand, and before the echoes had died away Houts was safe on second on the "old man's" sacrifice.

Two-Baggers in Pairs. Then came McKevitt with a long two-bagger out in the left garden, bringing home Houts. Ward got to first on a fielder's choice and a moment later O'Connell rapped the horseshoe for two sacks, scoring both runners.

Blay got to first on Flynn's error and a moment later O'Connell tripped in from third. Hanson fanned, and the Babies retired with four tallies to their credit.

Again, in the fifth inning, Boise did some business. Houts got a safe one, but went out trying to steal second. "Buck" Weaver got down on a slider's choice. "Buck" started for second, Hausen threw

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